Table 21. Academically employed doctoral scientists and engineers, by years since doctorate, sex, and faculty rank: 1997

April 2002

Sex and academic rank	Years since doctorate				
	Total	5 years or less	6-15 years	16-25 years	More than 25 years
Total employed in academe (number)	240,700	45,300	75,900 — Percent —	61,700	57,800
Professor	36	S	10	54	75
Associate professor	22	4	37	26	12
Assistant professor	19	42	30	4	S
Instructor, lecturer, adjunct faculty	7	10	7	5	4
Not applicable at institution	2	S	2	2	2
Not applicable for position	15	40	13	8	5
Male (number)	179,700	27,900	50,500	48,200	53,100
	Percent -				
Professor	42	S	12	58	77
Associate professor	22	S	40	25	11
Assistant professor	16	43	28	4	S
Instructor, lecturer, adjunct faculty	5	9	6	4	4
Not applicable at institution	2	S	S	2	S
Not applicable for position	13	41	13	7	4
Female (number)	61,100	17,400	25,500	13,500	4,700
			Percent —		
Professor	17	S	7	40	54
Associate professor	22	S	31	30	S
Assistant professor	27	41	34	S	S
Instructor, lecturer, adjunct faculty	11	13	10	9	S
Not applicable at institution	2	S	S	S	S
Not applicable for position	21	39	15	12	S

KEY: S = Suppressed due to too few cases (fewer than 1,000 weighted cases).

NOTES: Academe includes 2-year and 4-year colleges, universities, medical schools, and university-affiliated research institutes.

Those on postdoctoral appointments are also included in this table, mostly under "not applicable for position". Numbers are rounded to nearest hundred. Percents are rounded to the whole number. Details may not add tototals because of rounding. Survey of Doctorate Recipients includes persons who had earned a research doctorate from an U.S. institution and resided in U.S. as of April 1997.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation/Division of Science Resources Statistics, 1997 Survey of Doctorate Recipients